1	AGRICULTURAL SUSTAINABILITY TASK
2	FORCE
3	2002 GENERAL SESSION
4	STATE OF UTAH
5	Sponsor: Craig W. Buttars
6	This act creates the Agricultural Sustainability Task Force. This act provides for the
7	membership of the task force, task force chairs, compensation of task force members, the
8	task force meeting schedule, staff support, task force duties and responsibilities, and task
9	force reporting requirements. The act requires the task force to follow interim rules. The
10	act appropriates \$39,500 from the General Fund for fiscal year 2001-02 to the Senate, the
11	House of Representatives, and the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel to
12	fund the task force. This act is repealed November 30, 2002.
13	This act enacts uncodified material.
14	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
15	Section 1. Agricultural Sustainability Task Force Creation Membership Chairs
16	Interim rules followed Compensation Meetings Staff.
17	(1) There is created the Agricultural Sustainability Task Force consisting of the following
18	20 members:
19	(a) five voting members of the Senate appointed by the president of the Senate, no more
20	than three of whom may be from the same political party;
21	(b) seven voting members of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the
22	House of Representatives, no more than four of whom may be from the same political party; and
23	(c) eight nonvoting members, h APPOINTED JOINTLY BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE
23a	AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, h with one representative from each of
23b	the following
24	organizations:
25	(i) Utah Farm Bureau Federation;
26	(ii) Utah Wool Growers;
27	(iii) Utah Cattleman's Association;



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28	(iv) Utah Farmers Union;
29	(v) Utah Pork Producers;
30	(vi) Utah Dairyman's Association;
31	(vii) Utah Council of Farm Cooperatives; and
32	(viii) Utah State University Extension Service.
33	(2) (a) The president of the Senate shall designate a member of the Senate appointed under
34	Subsection (1)(a) as a cochair of the Agricultural Sustainability Task Force.
35	(b) The speaker of the House of Representatives shall designate a member of the House
36	of Representatives appointed under Subsection (1)(b) as a cochair of the Agricultural Sustainability
37	Task Force.
38	(3) In conducting its business, the Agricultural Sustainability Task Force shall comply with
39	the rules of legislative interim committees.
40	(4) A majority of the voting members constitutes a quorum for the transaction of the
41	official business of the task force.
42	(5) h [Members of the Agricultural Sustainability Task Force] (a) LEGISLATORS ON THE
42a	TASK FORCE h shall receive compensation and
43	expenses in accordance with Section 36-2-2 and Legislative Joint Rule 15.03.
13a	$\mathbf{\hat{h}}$ (b) TASK FORCE MEMBERS WHO ARE EMPLOYEES OF THE STATE SHALL RECEIVE NO
43b	ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION OR EXPENSES.
43c	(c) OTHER TASK FORCE MEMBERS SHALL RECEIVE NO COMPENSATION OR EXPENSES
43d	FROM THE STATE FOR SERVICE ON THE TASK FORCE. Î
44	(6) The Agricultural Sustainability Task Force may meet up to eight times.
45	(7) The Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel shall provide staff support to
46	the Agricultural Sustainability Task Force.
47	Section 2. Duties and responsibilities Interim report.
48	(1) The Agricultural Sustainability Task Force shall study the following issues:
49	(a) state funding and support for agricultural research and development;
50	(b) innovative methods to market and promote Utah agricultural products, including
51	current efforts of the Utah Department of Agriculture and Food to market and promote Utah
52	agricultural products;
53	(c) Utah agriculture forecasts for the next five to ten years;
54	(d) strategies for preserving productive agricultural lands amidst urban growth, with an
55	emphasis on market driven responses; and
56	(e) preserving grazing on public lands.
57	(2) The Agricultural Sustainability Task Force shall make a final report to the Natural
58	Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Interim Committee on or before its November interim

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39	meeting.
60	Section 3. Appropriation.
61	There is appropriated from the General Fund for fiscal year 2001-02 to pay for the
62	Agricultural Sustainability Task Force:
63	(1) \$6,000 to the Senate to pay for the compensation and expenses of senators on the
64	Agricultural Sustainability Task Force;
65	(2) \$8,500 to the House of Representatives to pay for the compensation and expenses of
66	representatives on the Agricultural Sustainability Task Force; and
67	(3) \$25,000 to the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel to pay for staffing
68	the Agricultural Sustainability Task Force.
69	Section 4. Repeal date.
70	This act is repealed November 30, 2002.

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A limited legal review of this legislation raises no obvious constitutional or statutory concerns.

Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel